

MINUTES

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON CERTIFICATE OF NEED AND RELATED HOSPITAL ISSUES

Thursday, September 27, 2012

10:00 a.m.

Room 544, LOB

The House Select Committee on Certificate of Need and Related Hospital Issues met on Thursday, September 27, 2012 in Room 544, LOB at 10:00 a.m. Representatives Alexander, Boles, Brandon, Collins, Current, Hollo, Randleman, Steen, and Torbett were present.

Representative Torbett presided.

Craig Smith, Chief, Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Services Regulation, NCDHHS gave a presentation on the scope of certificate of need (see attached and on committee website).

Questions from committee members Representatives Boles, Collins, and Current regarding endoscopy, methodology, duplication, Simpson-Bowles concluding healthcare cost number one issue, and letters of support for MRI were answered by Craig Smith, Chief, Certificate of Need Section, Division of Health Services Regulation, NCDHHS.

Dave French, MBA, MHA, President, Strategic Healthcare Consultants gave a presentation on 2005 change in the CON law for GI endoscopy procedure rooms (see attached and on committee website).

Questions from committee members Representatives Alexander, Boles, Collins, Current, and Steen regarding Medicaid, annual CON report, privilege in case of emergency, diagnostic centers, disproportion of non-paying patients, licenses the same, patient choice, financial obligation, increased utilization, data projections, exemptions, depreciation and exempt or update number were answered by Dave French, MBA, MHA, President, Strategic Healthcare Consultants.

Hugh Tilson, Senior Vice President, North Carolina Hospital Association gave a presentation on hospital quality improvement activities (see attached and on committee website).

Questions from committee members Representatives Collins and Current regarding cancer drug costs and who decides where the costs are increased were answered by Hugh Tilson, Senior Vice President, North Carolina Hospital Association.

Representative Torbett adjourned the meeting.

Representative John Torbett, Co-Chair Presiding

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Representative Fred Steen, Co-Chair